

REMARKS

Claims 2, 4-6 and 8-12 remain pending in the application. Claim 3 is hereby canceled without prejudice. Claims 2, 6 and 8 are hereby amended. No new matter is being added.

Allowable Subject Matter

Applicants respectfully thank the Examiner for the allowable subject matter of previously-presented claim 3. The independent claims in the present application are hereby amended so as to incorporate the limitation of claim 3 into independent claims 2, 6 and 8, and claim 3 is hereby canceled without prejudice.

As each of the independent claims 2, 6 and 8 now incorporate the allowable subject matter of previously-presented claim 3, applicants respectfully submit that independent claims 2, 6 and 8 are now in form for allowance. Claims 4-5 depend from claim 2, and claims 9-12 depend from claim 8. As such, claims 4-5 and 9-12 are also now in form for allowance.

Conclusion

The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned for any questions.
Favorable action is respectfully solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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